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CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL

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| Address to: Box CPA Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231 | Attorney Docket No. | S1022/8047 JHM |
| | First Named Inventor | Pascal Mellot |
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| | Date of Deposit | June 6, 2001 |

This is a request for a continuation application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application number 09/047,252, filed on March 24, 1998, entitled CIRCUIT AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATICALLY LIMITING THE AMPLITUDE OF BROADCAST RADIO SIGNALS.

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NOTES

FILING QUALIFICATIONS: The prior application identified above must be a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 USC 371. Effective May 29, 2000, a CPA may only be filed in a utility or a plan application if the prior nonprovisional application was filed before May 29, 2000. A CPA may be filed in a design application regardless of the filing date of the prior application. See "Request for Continued Examination Practice changes to and Provisional Application Practice," Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 500092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office (Apr. 11, 2000).

C-I-P NOT PERMITTED: A continuation-in-part application cannot be filed as a CPA under 37 CFR 1.53(d), but must be filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

EXPRESS ABANDONMENT OF PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA is a request to EXPRESSLY ABANDON the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA. 37 CFR 1.53(b) must be used to file a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part of an application that is not to be abandoned.

ACCESS TO PRIOR APPLICATION: The filing of this CPA will be construed to include a waiver of confidentiality by the applicant under 35 U.S.C. 122 to the extent that any member of the public who is entitled under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.14 to access to, copies of, or information concerning, the prior application may be given similar access to, copies of, or similar information concerning, the other application or applications in the file jacket.

35 U.S.C. 120 STATEMENT: In a CPA, no reference to the prior application is needed in the first sentence of the specification and none should be submitted. If a sentence referencing the prior application is submitted, it will not be entered. A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 U.S.C. 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such a request, 37 CFR 1.78(a).

1. Enter the amendments previously filed on _____, under 37 CFR §1.116 in the prior non-provisional application if these amendments have not been previously entered.
2. A preliminary amendment is enclosed.
3. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4).
 - a. DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior non-provisional application:
 - b. The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
4. A new power of attorney or authorization of agent (PTO/SB/81) is enclosed.
5. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is enclosed:
 - a. PTO-1449
 - b. Copies of IDS Citations

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| CLAIMS | FOR | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | RATE | Fee |
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| | TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c)) | 21-20= | 0 | \$ 18.00 | \$ 18.00 |
| | INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b)) | 2-3= | 0 | \$ 80.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| | MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d)) | | | | \$ 0.00 |
| | | | | BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a)) | \$ 710.00 |
| | Fee for Petition of Extension of Time (if any) | | | | \$ 890.00 |
| | | Total of above Calculations = | | | \$ 1,618.00 |
| | * Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). | | | | |
| | Assignment Recordation Fee (if any) | | | | \$ 0.00 |
| | Other Fees, if any | | | | |
| | NOTE: Enter small-entity amount if applicable. | | | | \$ 0.00 |
| | | | | TOTAL = | \$ 1,618.00 |

6. Small entity status:

- a. A small entity statement is enclosed.
- b. A small entity statement was filed in the prior non-provisional application and such status is still proper and desired. * **NOTE: Checking this box will not establish small entity status if you pay the large-entity fee. If you check this box, be sure to pay the small entity fee.**
- c. Is no longer claimed.

7. A check in the amount of \$890.00 is enclosed.

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General Authorization to Charge Deposit Account and General Request for Extension of Time

9. The Applicant hereby revokes any prior authorization to charge a fee due under 37 CFR § 1.16 or 1.18.

10. a. The Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, to and including, June 6, 2001, for filing this CPA in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 6, 2000. A check in payment of the \$890.00 extension fee is included in the attached check.

b. **DO NOT CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23/2825 FOR ANY FILING FEES, OTHER THAN EXTENSION FEES, ASSOCIATED WITH THIS CPA REQUEST.**

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NOTE: The prior application's correspondence address will carry over to this CPA UNLESS a new correspondence address is provided below.

12. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

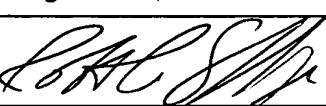
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13. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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| NAME | Robert A. Skrivanek, Jr. Reg. No. 41,316 |
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